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### 2010 Employment Law Seminar



Thursday, January 7, 2010
8:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Tennessee Room
3<sup>rd</sup> Floor
William R. Snodgrass Tower
312 Rosa L. Parks Avenue
Nashville, Tennessee







## Morning Sessions

Registration & Networking Breakfast 8:00 a.m.— 8:30 a.m.

#### Welcome

8:30 a.m.— 8:45 a.m.

#### **FMLA**

8:45 a.m.— 9:45 a.m.

A discussion of the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act, including entitlements, employer and employee responsibilities, notices, how leave is taken, serious health conditions under the Act, medical certification, military caregiver leave and military exigency leave.

#### Refreshment Break

9:45 a.m.— 10:00 a.m.

### Common Issues in the Workplace

10:00 a.m.— 11:00 a.m.

A discussion of current trends in employment law including caregiver responsibility, retaliation, direct threat, religious accommodation, and same sex discrimination issues.

#### The Perception of Disability

11:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m.

A discussion of the "ADA Amendments Act of 2008" and the evolving definition of "disability" under the ADA.

#### Networking Lunch

## Afternoon Sessions

#### Social Networking Sites: Avoiding Discrimination and First Amendment Violations

1:00 p.m.— 2:00 p.m.

The legal ramifications of employee access to, or limiting access to, social networking sites. In addition, the legal issues involved in an employer's review of an employee's social networking ability, including any blogging or commentary on the employer.

#### Refreshment Break

2:00 p.m.— 2:15 p.m.

## How to Respond to a Discrimination Complaint

2:15 p.m.— 3:15 p.m.

Representatives from the EEOC, THRC, and the Attorney General's Office will discuss practice pointers for responding to employment discrimination complaints.

## Outrageous Decisions in Employment Law 3:15 p.m.— 4:15 p.m.

A survey of interesting and outrageous employment decisions, including a discussion on what went wrong, why, and how to prevent it in the future.

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